

DELAWARE

SAT School Day

Give Your Teen an Advantage



Since 2011, Delaware grade 11 students have been taking the SAT, free-of-charge, during the school day. This School Day SAT opens the door for students and families to:

- Measure what students are learning in class, **and**
- Qualify for higher education, scholarships, and other post-high school programs.

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW:

- Public schools are federally required to test all students in grades 3-8 and once in high school.
- Delaware's School Day SAT is the only required state English language arts (ELA) and mathematics test for high school students and fulfills the federal high school test requirement.

Delaware's SAT School Day offers the following benefits to students:



FAMILIAR ENVIRONMENT

Students test in a place they know – better rested and prepared.



SCHOOL DAY HOURS

Students test in their own school during regular school hours.



DIMINISHED IMPACT ON FAMILY

School day testing won't disrupt weekend plans, out-of-school responsibilities, or family time at no cost.

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Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)



How does taking the SAT help students who aren't currently planning to go to college?

Prior versions of the SAT were meant to measure aptitude and intelligence, and were traditionally used for college admissions offices. In 2016, College Board introduced a new version of the SAT that instead reflects how well students are mastering the reading, writing, and mathematical skills they are meant to learn in high school. This means the revised SAT no longer includes obscure vocabulary words or vague questions but instead tests a student's mastery of real-life skills like using words correctly, analyzing writing passages, completing mathematical equations and more. **The new SAT is similar to any other comprehensive high school test.**

Does the SAT matter to colleges that don't require the SAT?

The SAT continues to play a vital role in the overall college admissions process. For instance, SAT scores can confirm that a student's grades match his or her skill level. **The SAT also gives students a chance to demonstrate strengths beyond what their high school grades may show.** Most students want to take the SAT, find out how they did, and then decide whether they want to submit their scores to colleges. When surveyed, 83% of students said they want the option to submit test scores to colleges. This finding remains consistent for students who have and also not taken the SAT as well as across different racial/ethnic and socioeconomic groups.

How do students receive their scores? Can students send their School Day SAT scores to colleges?

Scores are available two weeks after students complete the School Day SAT. Score reports may be printed from the College Board Portal. **Students can see their score reports before deciding if they want to send the score reports to colleges.**

Can my student have accommodations on the SAT?

College Board allows all state-approved accommodations for students who need additional support. Examples include: Extended time, breaks, a human reader, prerecorded audio, large print, magnification, braille, recorded responses, 4-function calculators, assistive technology and more. Each Delaware school has a Services for Students with Disabilities Coordinator that can submit accommodations for students. Please contact the student's school for more information.

Why are students taking the SAT essay in addition to reading and mathematics?

The School Day SAT is Delaware's federally required state-level test for high school students. This test measures how well students perform in reading, mathematics and also writing. While some colleges may not require the writing (essay) score, writing is an important life skill; therefore, writing is an important part of Delaware's learning standards and testing process. **The School Day SAT includes the essay part of the test to measure each student's writing skills.** This essay portion mirrors the writing performance tasks in grades 3-8 that students were required to complete as part of the state-level English language arts (ELA) test.